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MEMORANDUM TO: Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT

: Psychological Strategy Board

The Director said that he had been elected Chairman of the Psychological Strategy Board and that he thought it important to immediately call a conference with State and Defense on the working level. He suggested that Stevens, Magruder and Barrett attend and that they should work out a general plan of organization to include a statement of the minimum staff necessary, a survey of the mechanism for carrying out Psychological Warfare, and an estimate of the projects to be undertaken. He stated that he had told Messrs. Webb and Lovett that State and Defense would have to give Magruder and Stevens good personnel for their staff. He inquired as to how we would go about getting John Dickey and was informed that Mr. Acheson or Nelson Rockefeller should be the method of approach. He said he was also anxious to get Foye Kohler to participate if he could, and that when reports for duty he will probably have to devote his time to

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LYMAN B. KIRKPATRICE

Meeting Tuesday